

STRATFORD

Young Bride—The New Fire House—
Auto-Chemical—Fire Signals—Mil-
linaire Moffat—Wedding in April.

In the matter of a marriage license for Miss Burdette V. Dean, of Stratford, aged but 16, to Mr. Clark Edward Wood of Bridgeport, Mr. Charles H. Dean, father of the girl, has given his written consent to the union. This document is dated Philadelphia, on the 5th inst. The gentleman in the case is one of the elevator boys at the Hotel Stratfield. Mr. Charles H. Dean is known as a peddler, and his residence is given as Highland avenue.

There is a report that Mrs. Hard, of Stratton avenue, who is ill, will be taken to the Bridgeport hospital, and is said of the late David Booth who died at such an advanced age on Thursday, that like the late Mr. Mallette, he was a very active man. Until recently he was in the habit of visiting Bridgeport daily. He had suffered for some time with a cancer of the face.

Mr. and Mrs. Sulman, who have been boarding at the Curtis house, have gone to New York for a month, after which they expect to return to town for the summer.

Trenches have been dug for the foundations of the new fire house which is to be erected between the Town hall and the market of Mr. Reed. From the ground plan, as laid out, one may infer that the new \$171 building will be an ornament to the business section of the town. Unfortunately it is to be buck up against the southern end of the local clock up, and will obstruct the view from the southern end of that building. This shutting out of ancient lights will be rather hard on the inmates of the cooler, and they will be forced to meditate upon their wrong doings in gloom and silence.

Owing to the big flareback storm which struck town yesterday there will be no more alarming grass fires for some time to come. This will give the Consolidated Fire Department a much needed rest, and the suggestion that an auto chemical and hose cart be purchased can be carefully considered. Owing to the peculiar physiography of the town, there is need that the fire apparatus shall reach a burning building in time to save it, and this can only be done with a self-propelling chemical.

Mrs. J. F. Hanford of New York, is visiting Mrs. Frederick H. Allen, S. Main street.

The Channing Miller family, which has occupied a house near Hays corner, is moving from town to Bridgeport.

Last night was a rather soft one for the meeting of the Stratford Camera club, but rain seldom keeps art lovers at home.

Once again clam chowder was served for the shepherds of Bethlehem, when they did regulation at the usual business meeting on Thursday evening. But for the dreadful downpour more visitors from distant lodges would have dropped in to eat the chowder.

Mrs. James J. Abbotts has returned from the Bridgeport hospital, and is said to be getting on nicely.

Recently some of our leading citizens have been thinking about having a fire signal system for this town, so that when a fire does break out, it will be possible to inform people whereabouts it is situated. To this end a number of gentlemen have visited New York to examine the apparatus used in that city. It is rather late to go to a fire if one waits until the streets are full of smoke or the sky is illuminated by the burning building.

Judge William H. Comley is a frequent visitor to town.

Two of our young ladies who have been on the sick list—Miss Mary Brady and Miss Lucy Wheeler, are reported as improving in health.

Many people will be interested to know that Mr. David H. Moffat, cousin of Mrs. Ida Falken, and uncle to Donald Falken, the multi-millionaire banker and railroad man of Denver, Colo., is making a visit east. Last Sunday he was in Washingtonville, New York, which is not many miles west of Newburgh, in Orange County. It is said that love for his old boyhood home and the old church where he attended services with his father, induced him to come back. He left Washingtonville when a boy and going to New York, entered a bank, and was so faithful, honest and attentive, that he was specially promoted. In time he went west, and built up the great fortune which now is his. While in Washingtonville he stopped at the little hotel, and attended services in the Blooming Grove Church. He had the church decorated with American beauty roses and lilacs and palms by New York florists. The Moffats for many generations have been officers of the church. It is to be hoped that Mr. Moffat will find his way to this ancient town.

Wednesday last at his home on Stratford avenue, Mr. Richard Carroll died aged 48. The funeral was held this morning at 9 o'clock from St. James' church.

Sherrill Charles Staggs has recently made a brief visit to town. It is formally announced, as stated in the Farmer some days ago, that the wedding of Miss Eleanor E. Hines and Mr. Harold Charles Lovell will take place early in June.

Mr. Clayton K. Blakelee is reported to be ill with appendicitis. Recently 14 new members have joined the local Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

To-day or to-morrow Mrs. George A. Fairchild and son are expected home from the South.

The Sheldon sisters have removed to Bridgeport. For some years they have resided at the Bartram place on East Broadway.

The \$10.00 suit special at The Surprise Store will interest you. Read about it on another page.

Connecticut Patents.

The following were issued March 23, 1909: list furnished from office of A. A. Woodcock, Solicitor of Patents, Bridgeport, Conn.:

A. V. Abercrombie, Bridgeport, sewing machine.

W. C. Blanchard and P. G. Darling, Bridgeport, cap for valves.

F. Edge, Bridgeport, device for shaving soap.

S. Keefer, Bridgeport, inclosed fuse.

Christopher J. Lake, Bridgeport, locomotion for vessels, vehicles, or other moving bodies.

T. B. Laehar, Bridgeport, attaching angel blades to solid white metal hand.

J. Surprise, New Haven, clothes drier.

W. G. Church, Hartford, dental plug.

S. J. Miller, W. M. Morlock and P. G. Carlson, Danbury, collar ironing, dampening, folding and shaping machine.

R. E. Cross, Winsted, friction chain hoist.

C. Cuno, Meriden, terminal connection.

W. E. Shanley, Norwich, finder for cameras.

E. C. Goodwin, New Britain, lock and latch.

H. P. Townsend, New Britain, grooving machine.

C. Bronson, Rockville, sweater, (design).

Trade-Marks:

Henry G. Thompson & Son, New Haven, hacksaws.

American Pin Co., Waterville, hooks and eyes.

Who is who in Bridgeport?

Strange Cure For Lunacy.

Our forefathers were so fond of the whip that they seem to have regarded it as a cure for lunacy and even for smallpox. The accounts of a Huntingdonshire parish, under date 1691, have the entry, "Pd. in charges taking up a distracted woman, watching her and whipping her next day, 8s. 6d." and a few years later eightpence is paid for "whipping two people yt had the smallpox."

"Bang beggar" was evidently no mere fancy name for the parish beadle. He thoroughly earned the title in the days of his greatness. The name outlasted the whip and the brutal performance at the whipping post or the cart's tail. Fifty or sixty years ago "bang beggar" was still the provincial name for a beadle in several of the midland counties. A Cheshire glossary defines a "bang beggar" as "a beadle, one of whose duties it was to take up and drive away any beggars in the district and prosecute them as the law directs."—London Graphic.

Fox and Fleas.

Reynard is a knowing animal. The foxes are much tormented by fleas, but when the infestation becomes too severe they know how to get rid of the insects. They gather from the bark of trees moss, which they carry to a stream that deepens by degrees. Here they enter the water, still carrying the moss in their mouths, and, going backward, beginning from the end of their tails, they advance by slow degrees till the whole body, with the exception of the mouth, is entirely immersed. The fleas during this proceeding have rushed in rapid haste to the dry parts and finally to the moss, and the fox, when he has, according to his calculation, allowed sufficient time for all the fleas to take their departure, quietly opens his mouth. The moss floats off down the stream with its burden of fleas, and when it is out of jumping reach the fox finds its way to the bank, much relieved.

Medicines.

"There is a singular idea that prevails among many people that if a little is a good thing more is better," said a physician, "and an incalculable amount of harm is done. There are cases where a little quinine does good, and the patient, instead of going to a physician and finding out how much he wants, buys a quantity at a drug store and takes so much that it is a positive detriment. When persons have been sick and obtained a prescription, they imagine they know just what to do the next time they are ailing and increase the dose, often with most disastrous results. The careless use of medicine by those not familiar with its consequences causes more trouble than almost any other source of ailment to which the human body is subject."

Marriage in Scotland.

Even for a man to address a woman as his wife, either by writing or by speech, and for her to respond in the same terms constitutes marriage in Scotland. Any one who has ever read Wilkie Collins' novel, "Man and Wife," will remember there a case in point. The heroine sends a note to the hero, signing herself "Your Wife." He is sufficiently careless and indifferent to write his reply on the back of her own letter and signs himself "Your Husband." This note, crumpled up and tossed aside as of no value, falls into the hands of an unscrupulous person, who, to levy blackmail on the hero, keeps it and produces it as evidence of marriage. No other form had been gone through, and yet the couple were married legally.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Always Raining.

There is a group of islands to the south of New Zealand called the Sisters, or Seven Sisters, which are reputed to be subjected to a practically constant rainfall. The same may be said of the islands and mainland of Tierra del Fuego, saving for the difference that the rain often takes the form of sleet and snow. On a line running round the world from four to eight or nine degrees there are patches over which rain seldom ceases to fall. This is called the "zone of constant precipitation," but at the same time there are several localities along it with very little rainfall.

The End of Knowledge.

Some men think that the gratification of curiosity is the end of knowledge, some the love of fame, some the pleasure of dispute, some the necessity of supporting themselves by their knowledge, but the real use of all knowledge is this—that we should dedicate that reason which was given us by God to the use and advantage of man.—Bacon.

Very Rare.

Dealer in Antiques—Here are two very rare revolvers.
Customer—What is their history?
"They were carried by Columbus."
"What! Revolvers weren't invented in Columbus' time."
"I know. That's what makes them so rare."

Always Rising.

Gunner—So that distinguished gentleman in the tall hat is your leading citizen, eh? Has he received many degrees from the different colleges?
Gruyer—Has he? Why, he has received so many degrees we call him the "human thermometer."—Chicago News.

Superstices.

Mistress—Didn't the ladies who called leave cards? Bridget—They wanted to, ma'am, but I towled them ye had plenty av yer own, and better ones, too.—Life.

Command large fields, but cultivate small ones.—Virgil.

Opinion of an Actress.

Miss Ellen Terry at a reception once talked about the innumerable women who ask her to help them get on the stage. "The fact is," she said, "every woman under thirty believes she is an actress. 'And every actress,' she added, 'believes she is under thirty.'"

Anxious.

One day small Elmer observed five funerals pass the house. After the last one had passed he said, "Mamma, if we don't hurry up and die heaven will be so crowded we can't get in."—Exchange.

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"Tell me of those sorrows," said Nya, gently. "Perhaps I do not know them all, and perhaps I could help thee."

So Rachel sat herself down also, and Nole, interpreting for her, told all her tale up to that point when she saw the body of Richard borne away, for after this she remembered nothing until she found herself standing upon the fallen tree in the land of the Ghost Kings. It was a long tale, and before ever she finished it, night fell, but throughout its telling the old dwarf-woman said never a word, only watched Rachel's face with her kind soft eyes. At last it was done, and she said:

"A sad story. Truly there is much evil in the world beyond the sun and the stars, for here at least we shed little blood. Now, Maiden, what is thy desire?"

"This is my desire," said Rachel, "to be joined again to him I love, whom Ishmael slew; yes and to my father and mother also, whom the Zulus slew at the command of Ishmael."

"If they are all dead, how can that be, Maiden, unless thou seest them in death? Pass within the fence, yonder, and let the poison of the Tree of the Tribe fall upon thee, and soon thou wilt find them."

"Nay, Mother, I may not, for it would be self-murder, and my faith knows few greater crimes."

"Then thou must wait till death finds thee, and that road may be very long."

"Already it is long, Mother, so long that I know not how to travel it, who am alone in the world without a friend save Nole here, and she began to weep."

"Not so, Thou hast another friend," and she laid her hand upon Rachel's heart. "though it is true that I may bide with thee but a little while."

After this they were all silent for a space, until Nya looked up at Rachel and asked suddenly:

"The Zulus and others thought so, Mother; but what can courage avail me now?"

"Courage of the body, nothing. Maiden; courage of the spirit, much. Perhaps, if thou sawest this lover of thine and knew for certain that he lives on beneath the world awaiting thee, would it bring thee comfort?"

Rachel's breast heaved and her eyes sparkled with joy, as she answered: "Comfort! What is there that could bring so much? But how can it be, Mother, seeing that the last gift divides us, a gift which mortals may not pass and live?"

"Thou sayest it; still I have great power, and thy spirit is white and unspotted with joy, as she answered: 'Across that gulf and call it back to earth again. Yet there are reckless dangers to me of which I deem little, and dangers to thee. Whither I sent thee, there thou mightest bide.'"

save me from the Red Death at the hands of Eddo. Yes, I will try, but not yet—first thou must eat and rest. Obey or I do nothing."

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POINTS OF INTEREST.

Prepare For Easter Now.

Come to Library Corner for your Easter outfit. The spring styles from the world famous houses of the Kuppenheimer and Rogers, Peet & Co. are here in broad array—the clothes custom tailors strive to imitate. Hats, gloves, underwear, every needed furnishing. Less than usual to pay for children's suits—note the four specials in their advertisement to-day. John F. Keane & Co., Main and John streets.

At Mollan's.

Women's low shoes in buttons, and lace, in tan, and in black, in advance styles are at Mollan's. Women's boots with short ramps, plain toes, and heavy, turned soles, boots with cloth tops, and patent ramps, and innumerable styles in spring footwear are in readiness for the season's demand. For girls, and small children, dainty ton button calf boots are shown. Boys regular and low cut, tan, and black superior grade shoes in the latest styles, in all sizes at moderate prices, are at Mollan's. Men's Burt & Packard regular and low cut, tan, maroon, and black shoes, in the latest models, are ready.

Easter Wears Priced Moderately.

Prices are surprisingly little for before Easter selling. Features for tomorrow and Saturday are elegant trimmed hats at \$5, \$7.50 and \$10. The handsomest and most stylish collection in town. Wise buyers are making selections now—not waiting for the rush days just before Easter. A choice and stylish line of trimmed hats for women and misses—exclusive and elegant effects—every hat a fitting example of the artist milliner's touch and the Real evidence of the Gottlieb Gorman Co.'s fashion leadership is indicated in their magnificent exhibit of Easter suits, costumes and skirts.

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When Comets Terrified.

To Evelyn a comet was a very terrifying phenomenon. He notes the appearance of one on Jan. 12, 1880, which he describes in his diary as "a meteor of an obscure bright color, very much in shape like the blade of a sword." "What this may portend," he adds, "God only knows, but such another phenomenon I remember to have seen in 1640 about the trial of the great earle of Stratford, preceding our bloody rebellion. I pray God avert his judgements."

Marches and Marches.

A schoolteacher in a small town saw some of George Eliot's works displayed in the window of the "general store" and went in to inquire if they had "Middlemarch."

"No, we haven't that," said the red cheeked girl who served as clerk, "but we have lots of others. Will one of Sousa's do?"

Considerate.

Mr. de Club—My dear, a great German physician says women require more sleep than men. Mrs. de C.—Does he? Mr. de C.—Yes. My dear—um—er—you'd better not wait up for me tonight.

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